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Remarks:

Please coordinate with all Directorates and prepare a response for EXDIR's signature.

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The Director of Central Intelligence

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Intelligence Community Staff

DCI/ICS 83-4224 26 January 1983

Director, Defense Intelligence Agency MEMORANDUM FOR:

Director, National Security Agency

Executive Director, Central Intelligence Agency

VIA:

Acting Director, Intelligence Community Staff

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FROM:

Chief, Policy & Planning Staff

SUBJECT:

Supercomputers

1. The ad hoc committee on Supercomputers convened by the Office of Science & Technology Policy (O/S&TP) met on 24 January 1983 to review the many issues on this subject. The opinions and proposals presented differed dramatically; consequently, no consensus could be developed. Doug Pewitt, Assistant Director, O/S&TP, tasked the members to respond to the following questions by Monday, 7 February 1983.

- Do you currently own and operate or time share a Α. supercomputer? How many or how much usage?
- Do you have firm plans to acquire the next generation В. supercomputer? What specs? When? How many? Approximate dollar funds per supercomputer?
- Is there a difference in your requirement between a "big number С. cruncher" and an even bigger and more complex AI-based machine?
- Have you identified a US source or sources? D.
- What impact would a successful Japanese fifth generation and Ε. supercomputer with the approximate performance characteristics have on your agency? (See attachment)
- Is there a role for the federal government in stimulating, F. partially funding, or actually developing the fifth generation supercomputer. One body of opinion asserts the US Government should only indicate the range of performance characteristic desired, the best estimate on quantity required and probable time frame for delivery with a tolerable price range.
- Do you have an opinion on the probable success or range of G. performance the Japanese are likely to achieve? Basis for opinion?

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2. My assessment is that there is not now a strong commitment for US Government involvement in any aspect of the next supercomputer, nor to any concentrated reaction to the potential Japanese computer project.

| Please provide me your comments (which may be classified if | |
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| appropriate) by noon, Monday, 7 February. I will provide them to | |
| Dr. Keyworth's office and will obtain and circulate all members' comments fo | r |
| your individual review and comment prior to developing an Intelligence | |
| Community position. | |

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Attachment:

Japanese Computer Specifications (20 Charts)

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Subject: Supercomputers

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JAPANESE GOALS

JAPANESE GOVERNMENT (MITI) AND COMPUTER INDUSTRY WANT TO BE LEADERS IN SUPER COMPUTING

THREE NATIONAL PROJECTS

- COMPONENTS
- HIGH-SPEED COMPUTER
- FIFTH GENERATION COMPUTER

NUMEROUS INDIVIDUAL COMPANY PROJECTS

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JAPANESE NATIONAL SUPER-SPEED COMPUTER PROJECT

DURATION: 1982-89

FUNDING: \$200M

OBJECTIVES: 10 GIGAFLOPS

1 GIGABYTE OF MEMORY WITH
1.5 GIGABYTE BANDWIDTH
100 MEGAFLOPS IN DISTRIBUTED

PROCESSING

PARTICIPANTS:

ETL

FUJITSU HITACHI

NEC

MITSUBISHI

OKI

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FFTH GENERATION COMPUTER

STARTS APRIL 1982

OBJECTIVE: A LARGE. INTELLIGENT COMPUTER SYSTEM

- LANGUAGE PROCESSING
- SPEECH AND IMAGE PROCESSING
- EXPERT SYSTEMS

THREE PHASES

ST - 3 YEARS -

2ND - 4 YEARS - BI 3RD - 3 YEARS - C

EARS - FUNCTIONAL MODULES
EARS - BUILD A PROTOTYPE
EARS - COMPLETE THE SYSTEM

AND SOFTWARE

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BASIC CONFIGURATION IMAGE OF THE FIFTH GENERATION COMPUTER SYSTEM (JAPANESE)

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5TH GENERATION COMPUTER: SPECIFICATIONS

- HIGHER PERFORMANCE LEVEL AT A LOWER COST
- "TRIPARTITE BRAIN"
 - 1) INTELLIGENT INTERFACE SYSTEM
 - ACCESS THROUGH NATURAL LANGUAGE AND PICTURES
 - 2) PROBLEM-SOLVING AND INFERENCE SYSTEM
 - HANDLE MANY MORE GENERAL PROBLEM-SOLVING TASKS
 THAN TODAY'S MACHINES
 - BE ABLE TO LEARN, ASSOCIATE, AND INFER
 - 3) KNOWLEDGE-BASED MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
 - BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND AND USE STORED INFORMATION
 - "KNOWLEDGE BASES" RATHER THAN "DATABASES"
- EACH OF THE THREE SYSTEMS HAS OWN SPECIALIZED MACHINE WITH VLSI ARCHITECTURE
- COMPUTER SIZES TO RANGE FROM MICRO'S TO MAINFRAMES

Source: Tom Manuel, Byte, 5/82

5th Generation Computer: Example: Projects and Specifications

- PERSONAL WORK STATION
 - PERFORM 2 MIPS
 - HAVE .5 TO 5 MEGABYTES OF MEMORY
 - HAVE 100 MEGABYTES OF DISK STORAGE, WITH AN AVERAGE ACCESS OF 1 MILLISECOND
- "SUPER HIGH-SPEED PROCESSOR"
 - PERFORM 1 TO 100 BILLION FLOATING POINT OPERATIONS PER SECOND (FLORE)
 - HAVE 8 TO 160 MEGABYTES OF MEMORY
- PROBLEM SOLVING AND INFERENCE FUNCTION
 - PERFORM 100 MILLION TO 1 BILLION LOGICAL-INFERENCE OPERATIONS PER SECOND

(1 LOGICAL INFERENCE = 100 TO 1000 INSTRUCTIONS)

- NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM
- KNOWLEDGE-BASED MANAGEMENT FUNCTION
 - RETRIEVE 1 UNIT OF KNOWLEDGE IN SEVERAL SECONDS FROM A BASE OF 100 TO 1000 GIGABYTES

SOURCE: MANUEL, BYTE, 5/82

5TH GENERATION COMPUTER: EXAMPLE PROJECTS AND SPECIFICATIONS

VERY-LARGE-SCALE INTEGRATION TECHNOLOGY

AT FIRST, HAVE 1 MILLION TRANSISTORS PER CHIP

EVENTUALLY HAVE 10 MILLION TRANSISTORS PER CHIP

SOURCE: MANUEL, BYTE, 5/82

Machine translation system

- Translations among multiple languages

 Vocabulary size: 100,000 words

 Machine to guarantee 90% accuracy, with remaining 10% to be processed through intervention by man.

 System to be an integrated system where computers participate in individual
- stages ranging from text editing to printing and of translations.

 Total costs involved to remain at 30% or lower than for human translation.

Consultation systems

- Specimen applications
 - Medical diagnosis
 - Natural language comprehension
 - Mechanical equipment computer-aided design Computer user consultation
- Computer systems diagnosis Number of objects: 5,000 or more Inference rules: 10,000 or more
- Semi-automated knowledge acquisition
- Interfaces with system: Natural languages and speech

Vocabulary size: 5,000 words or more

Figure 1. Subjects and 10-Year Targets for Basic Applications Systems

Source: Rex Malik, <u>Computerworld/Extra</u> 11/17/82, P. 25

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5TH GENERATION COMPUTER: NEW TECHNOLOGIES

- NEW TECHNIQUES TO BE USED
- NEW ARCHITECTURES LIKE DATA-FLOW MACHINES
- ARTIFICIAL-INTELLIGENCE CONCEPTS
- LANGUAGES SUCH AS LISP AND PROLOG WITH MACHINES OPTIMIZED FOR THEM
- EXAMPLES

TECHNOLOGIES CURRENTLY EXCLUDED FROM PROGRAM

- GALLIUM ARSENIDE
- JOSEPHSON JUNCTIONS
- FOR GENERAL USE BY 1990 RESEARCHERS FELT THESE TECHNOLOGIES WOULD NOT BE SUFFICIENTLY DEVELOPED
- RESEARCH GAINS OCCUR THEY WILL BE INCLUDED AT SOME INTERMEDIATE STAGE IF OUTSIDE

SOURCE: MANUEL, BYTE, 5/82

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CONSISTS OF THREE PARTS

- SOFTWARE FOR AUTOMATED DESIGN OF VLSI
- PLAN TO INITIALLY IMPLEMENT HSL (HIERARCHICAL SPECIFICATION LANGUAGE)
- HSL CONTAINS SEVERAL MODULES INTEGRATED INTO A TOTAL

DESIGN SYSTEM

- CURRENTLY BEING USED AT THE MUSASHINO ELECTRICAL
- COMMUNICATION LABORATORY OF NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND

TELEPHONE PUBLIC CORPORATION

SYSTEM 5G - THE COMPUTER SYSTEM TO RUN IT

PLAN UNTIL FIRST 5TH GENERATION COMPUTERS ARE AVAILABLE TO USE CONVENTIONAL 40 MIPS GENERAL-PURPOSE COMPUTER

SOURCE: MANUEL, BYTE, 5/82

5TH GENERATION COMPUTER: DESIGN AUTOMATION SYSTEM (PAGE 2)

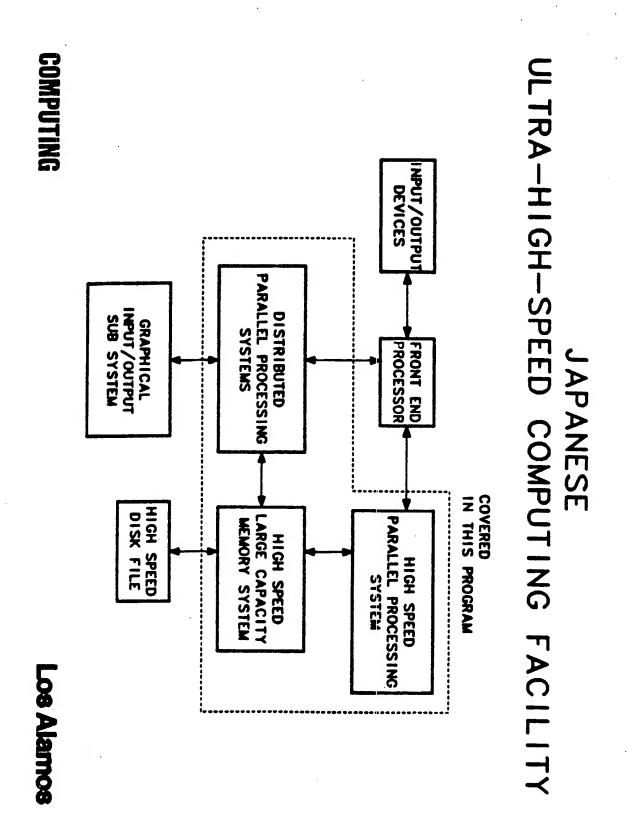
3 5G PERSONAL COMPUTER - LOGIC-PROGRAMMING WORK STATION FOR DESIGNERS

DIGITIZED IMAGE INPUT AS WELL AS PERFORMANCE AS A PERSONAL-REQUIRES HIGH-SPEED PROCESSING OF VOICE, GRAPHIC, AND

INTERFACE MACHINE

t NO EXISTING PERSONAL COMPUTER MEETS THESE SPECIFICATIONS

Source: Manuel, Byte, 5/82



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ADVANCES ARE REQUIRED

COMPONENTS

RCHITECTURE

ALGORITHMS N N D LANGUAGES

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COMPONENT OBJECTIVES

GATES. GATES. 30 DELAY DELAY (JJ,HEMT) (GaAs)

MEMORY: 16k bits. 5 DS. **ACCESS**

SUMMARY

PP>Z PROGRAM LEADER IN SUPERCOMPUTERS. **SAH** LAUNCHED TO BECOME NATIONAL A WORLD

ARE PARTICIPATING XIS MAJOR JAPANESE **VENDORS**

REACHING SUCCESS PROJECT COMPUTER COULD CONSEQUENCES AND LIKELY TO HAVE EVEN FAR PARTIAL PRODUCE

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5TH GENERATION COMPUTER: SOME JAPANESE EXPECTATIONS

- BENEFITS TO BE GAINED
 - RAISING PRODUCTIVITY IN LOW-PRODUCTIVITY FIELDS
 - PRESERVATION OF INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE CAPABILITY BY DEVELOPMENT
 OF NEW TECHNOLOGY
 - CONSERVATION OF ENERGY AND RESOURCES
 - PROMOTE UTILIZATION OF CAPACITY OF AGING CITIZENS
 - INFORMATIONALIZATION OF SOCIETY

Sources: SID Fernbach, <u>Brief on the Japanese Computer Industry</u>, May, 1981

ZEN YAMADA, MEMORANDUM ON RECENT PUBLISHED INFORMATION, MAY 13, 1981

5TH GENERATION COMPUTER: SOME JAPANESE EXPECTATIONS

- FEATURES OF 5TH GENERATION COMPUTER
- CONSIDERABLE DIVERSITY
- **EMPHASIS ON SPECIALIZATION**
- NON-VON NEUMANN ARCHITECTURE
- COMPOSITE MICRO-ARCHITECTURE
- INPUT/OUTPUT OF DAILY LANGUAGES, CHARACTERS, GRAPHS WITH NO MODIFICATION
- SELF-RECOVERING FUNCTION (AUTOMATIC RECOVERY)
- SELF-PROGRAMMABLE WITH SIMPLE INSTRUCTIONS (NO REQUIREMENT FOR HUGE PROGRAMS)
- FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVING BASED ON RECORDED DATA

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Sources: SID FERNBACH, BRIEF ON THE JAPANESE COMPUTER INDUSTRY, MAY, 1981 ZEN YAMADA, PUBLISHED I MEMORANDUM ON RECENT INFORMATION, MAY 13, 1981

5TH GENERATION COMPUTER: SOME JAPANESE EXPECTATIONS

MAJOR R&D THEMES

- DEVICE TECHNOLOGY
- ARCHITECTURE AND HIGH PERFORMANCE PROCESSES
- DISTRIBUTED FUNCTIONAL SYSTEMS
- SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

INTELLIGENT ROBOTS

HIGH RELIABILITY, SECRECY PROTECTION FUNCTION

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JAPANESE COMPUTER RESEARCH: SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

"THE ELECTRONIC COMPUTER BASIC TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION"

- COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION TO DEVELOP SOFTWARE

MEMBERS

HITACHI

Toshiba

Fujitsu

NEC

MITSUBISHI

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MATSUSHITA

SHARP

NEC - TOSHIBA INFORMATION SYSTEMS

COMPUTER DEVELOPMENT LABORATORY

WILL SPEND \$56 M (1981-1986)

MITI WILL PROVIDE HALF THE FUNDS

Source: SID FERNBACH, BRIEF REPORT ON THE JAPANESE COMPUTER INDUSTRY, MAY, 1981

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| 5X1 | MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Office of Data Processing FROM: |
| | Director of Global Issues |
| | SUBJECT: Japanese Supercomputer Developments REFERENCE: DCI/ICS 83-4224, dated 26 January 1983 |
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| 5X1 | 1. At the request of your Policy and Plans Group, we are providing our assessment of Japanese capabilities and plans for supercomputer developments. Specifically, the attachment responds to Question G of the reference, concerning Japanese prospects for success in developing supercomputer systems. |
| 5X1 | 2. In addition to the attachment, we are preparing a detailed Intelligence Assessment on Japanese supercomputer systems that should be available in draft within the next few months. In addition to providing more detailed information on the Japanese supercomputers, the study will investigate Japanese marketing plans and discuss the impact of Japanese competition on US economic and strategic interests. |
| 5X1 | 3. If you have any questions or comments please call |
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